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ELECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 43 OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, TO REPLACE THOSE WHOSE TERMS ARE DUE TO EXPIRE ON 28 FEBRUARY 2003

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The present addendum contains additional nominations for election to the Committee on the Rights of the Child received after 2 November 2002, which was the date referred to by the Secretary-General in his note verbale dated 2 September 2002 and in conformity with article 43, paragraph 4 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. All nominations submitted before 2 November 2002 are contained in document CRC/SP/33. Biographical data of the persons nominated, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in the annex to the present document.

Name of candidate	Nominated by
Gabriela COMAN	Romania
Assumpta KABURAHE-NANIWE	Burundi
Ksenofon KRISAFI	Albania
Carlos Emilio LOPEZ HURTADO	Nicaragua

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Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF NOMINEES

Gabriela COMAN (Romania)

Date of birth	30 January 1954
Working languages	English, French, German
Current position/function	Secretary of State, National Authority for Child Protection and Adoption, Government of Romania
	President of the Romanian Committee for Adoption

Main professional activities

June 2001-present	Secretary of State, National Authority for Child Protection and Adoption, Government of Romania
January 2001-June 2001	Secretary-General, National Authority for Child Protection and Adoption, Government of Romania
January 2000-January 2001	Director, National Agency for the Protection of Children's Rights, Government of Romania
September 1999-January 2000	Head of the Division of Strategies and Programmes, Department for Child Protection
March 1992-September 1999	Government Expert, Division of Strategies and Programmes, Department for Child Protection, Government of Romania

Educational background

Graduate of the "PHARE Decentralized Implementation System - Procurement of Services and Supplies" course, European Commission delegation in Romania

Master's Degree in Socio-psychopedagogy (Social Assistance), Glasgow University, United Kingdom and University of Bucharest, Faculty of Psychology, Sociology and Pedagogy

Graduate of "Management of the non-profit sector - governmental and non-governmental sector" course, Strathclyde University, United Kingdom

Bachelor's Degree, Electrical Engineering, Polytechnic Institute, Bucharest, Romania

Other relevant activities

Member of the Interministerial Committee for European Integration, Government of Romania

Senior Project Officer of PHARE Programmes: RO 9803.02 - Support for Child Protection and RO 9905.02 - Development of Child Protection Services

Programme coordinator: World Bank - IDF Grant, RO 27589

Member of the Association pour le soin des enfants ayant des anomalies de development (APICAD)

Most recent publications in the field

Articles published in the periodic newsletter of the National Authority for Child Protection and Adoption

Co-author of "Early prevention and education in the field of the development of the child", in cooperation with the University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Carol Davila", Bucharest and the University Hospital, Geneva

A number of educational and cultural research papers presented to local and international conferences

Ksenofon KRISAFI (Albania)

Date of birth:	13 June 1947
Working languages:	French, English, Italian, Russian
Education:	1993 PhD 1984 Pedagogical-scientific degree, Assistant Professor 1980 Scientific degree "Candidate of Sciences" 1969 Graduated as a lawyer, Faculty of Political and Juridical Sciences, University of Tirana
Present position:	2002 (August), Diplomatic Adviser to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania
Professional experience	
April 2002-August 2002	General Secretary, Council of Ministers of the Republic of Albania
9 April 2001-April 2002	Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Albania to the World Trade Organization
November 1998-April 2002	Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Albania to the United Nations Office at Geneva
October 1997- November 1998	Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana
October 1997- November 1998	Professor, International Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana
1994-1997	Professor, International Public Law, School of Journalism, University of Tirana
1985-1991	Professor of International Public Law for post-graduate courses in Diplomacy and External Trade
1971-1984	Assistant Professor, International Public Law, Faculty of Political and Juridical Sciences, University of Tirana
1995-1998	Member, Albanian Helsinki Committee and member of its Board of Directors
1997-1998	Member, Board of Directors, "For Juridical Culture" Foundation
1997-1998	Member, Board of Directors, "Urban Integration" Foundation

1994	Founding member and member of Board of Directors, Economic and Social Studies Centre
1993-1997	Director of the Supervising Council "Group 4 Securitas Albania-SHA" Company, Tirana
1992-1993	Lawyer in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1990-1992	Director in the Directorate of Juridical and Consular Issues and International Treaties, MFA
1983-1990	Head of the Juridical Bureau, MFA
1971-1983	Scientific Officer in the Scientific Department, Faculty of Political and Juridical Sciences, University of Tirana

Participation in international activities

Diplomatic activities

Member of more than 400 important State delegations, the majority of them chief of delegation or chief negotiator for the Albanian party

Member or chief of Albanian delegations to about 500 diplomatic meetings and conferences

Scientific activities in Geneva, Bari, Rome, Monopoli, Lece, Sasari, Milan, Budapest, Strasbourg, Paris, Stockholm, Upsala, Athens, Thessaloniki, Prishtine

Scientific research projects

"Balkan Cooperation", organized in the Economic and Social Studies Centre, Tirana

"Co-existence of different ethnic groups in South Albania", organized by the Economic and Social Studies Centre, Tirana

"Emigration of the Albanian intellectual elite during the transition period", organized by the Economic and Social Studies Centre, Tirana

"Plan of Action for the Albanian Judiciary System (1999-2005)" organized by the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Albania and the United Nations

"European profile of the new Albanian draft constitution", organized by the Faculty of Law, University of Tirana, and the Economic and Social Studies Centre, Tirana

Publications (partial list)

Books

Issues of State History and the Law, co-author with A. Luarasi and A. Anastasi, "Luarasi" publishing house, Tirana, 1998 (reprinted in 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002)

Emigration of the Albanian Intellectual Elite during the Transition Period, co-author with I. Gedeshi, H. Mara and R. Dhimitri, "Luarasi" publishing house, Tirana, 1999

Author of "18 voices of juridical and historical characters" in *The Albanian Encyclopaedic Dictionary*, Tirana, 1986

The History of the State and the Law in Albania, vol. I, co-author with Z. Ballanca, Tirana 1981

International Public Law, vol. III, co-author with A Puto, Tirana 1981

Unpublished works

Juridical - international responsibility of the state, Tirana, 1979

Some issues of the law of the sea, Tirana, 1982-1983

International law and war, Tirana, 1977

International humanitarian law, Tirana, 1976

National minorities in international law, Tirana, 1976

International organizations, Tirana 1978

Albania in the Peace Conference at the end of the First World War, Tirana, 1975

The diplomatic activity of Fan S. Noli, Tirana, 1974

Reparations for the damages caused in Albania during the Second World War, Tirana

Author of many studies on important political and diplomatic issues such as: the war with Greece; the peace treaty with Italy; Paris Peace Conferences in 1919-1920 and 1946; problems of territorial waters and the continental shelf; the most-favoured nation clause in trade; the right of diplomatic and political shelter; international organizations, the Convention on the Rights of the Child; armed conflicts and children, etc.

More than 30 scientific articles published in Albanian and foreign journals and magazines

Carlos Emilio LOPEZ HURTADO (Nicaragua)

Date of birth:	7 April 1968
Working languages:	Spanish and English
Current position/function:	Special Procurator for Children and Young People, Republic of Nicaragua, a post created under the Office of the Procurator for the Protection of Human Rights Act. This Act assigns to him the task of promoting and defending the realization of the rights of children and young people and monitoring the efforts of the State in this field

Main professional activities

Promotion and protection of the rights of children and young people

Formulation, and advice in the formulation, of the main programmes, projects and laws on children, adolescents and young people in Nicaragua

University professor in juridical sociology, human rights, theory of ideologies, juvenile criminal law and theology

Researcher and author of books and essays on development, human rights, children and young people

Consultant to local and international agencies dealing with human rights, children and young people

Creator and advocate of programmes of community development

Academic titles

Degree in Sociology

Degree in Law

Diploma in Bible studies and theology

Post-graduate degree in Project formulation, evaluation and management

Post-graduate degree in Formulation and management of education policies

Post-graduate degree in Philosophy of science and technology

Post-graduate degree in Municipal law

Other main activities

Lecturer locally and internationally on children, young people, sociology and human rights

Tutor and panel member for evaluation of theses submitted for university degrees in various higher educational establishments

Formerly, adviser to the parliament on children, adolescents and young people

Author of articles and essays in local magazines and newspapers

Formerly, head of organizations working with children, young people, human rights and development. Proponent of projects in the field of education, social integration and advancement of the individual.

Most recent publications

Author

Políticas Públicas de Juventud, FMS, 1996

Chavalas y Chavalos en Primera Plana, Save the Children, 1999

Juventopia, Save the Children - UNFPA, 2001

Joint author

Diagnóstico de Jóvenes Discapacitados, Dos Generaciones, 1992

Estado, situación y perspectiva del Consejo de la Juventud, 1993

Violencia En Nicaragua, UNDP, 1994

Juventud y Cultura de Paz, CSUCA, 1995

¿Culpables o Víctimas? CENIDH, 1996.

Entre el olvido y la esperanza, 1998

Coordinator of published books

Código Comentado de la Niñez y la Adolescencia, PDDH, UNICEF, Save the Children, 2000

Justicia Penal Especial para Adolescentes, PDDH, Plan Nicaragua, 2001

El Pupitre Vacío, Investigación sobre el derecho a la educación gratuita de niñas, niños y adolescentes en Nicaragua, PDDH, UNICEF, Save the Children, 2001

Así vemos ... Así queremos Nicaragua, Investigación sobre las percepciones que tiene las niñas, niños y adolescentes del país, PDDH, UNICEF, Save the Children, Italian aid, 2002

Cara o Sol? Investigación sociojurídica sobre los adolescentes privados de libertad en el ámbito preventivo, PDDH, UNICEF, Save the Children, Italian aid, 2002

Assumpta KANURAHE-NANIWE (Burundi)

Date of birth: 15 August 1951

Working languages: French, English

Current position/function

2002	Burundi. Consultant to an evaluation mission. Social analysis of the situation of orphans (study under way). Permanent Secretariat of the National Council to Combat AIDS (CNLS)
2001-2002	Burundi. Consultant to an identification mission. Survey of the numbers and needs of disabled children aged 0-18. UNICEF-Burundi
2000-2002	Management of an action research project. Two-year study designed to define the main principles to govern a play-centred activity ("games and rules or the rules of the game") among children in a humanitarian crisis situation (Enfants Réfugiés du Monde, ERM)

Main professional activities

2001	Rwanda. Consultant to a training mission, ERM
2000	Guinea. Consultant to a training mission, ERM
Since 1999	Burundi. Coordinator of the community development associations support programme, Luxembourg aid to Burundi
1997-1999	Burundi. Consultant in project evaluation. Evaluation of the Luxembourg projects carried out as part of emergency assistance provided to Burundi by the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
Since 1996	Member of the Centre for Education, Documentation, Research and Action on Children's Injuries (CEDRATE)
1995-1996	Burundi. Project Coordinator. National Plan for Social Protection
1994-1995	Consultant to UNICEF projects for child victims of violence
1993-1995	Burundi/Rwanda. Consultant to "SOS Children's Villages"

Since 2001	Visiting professor at the University of Western Brittany, France
Since 1991	Lecturer/professor, University of Burundi, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences
1981-1984	Assistant, University of Burundi, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences
1978-1981	Researcher and educational adviser at the research office on secondary education curricula (BEPES) in Bujumbura
1971-1974	Professor in the Institute of Administrative Techniques (INTA) in Bujumbura

Education

1984-1990	Doctorate in Psychological and Pedagogical Sciences, ULB, Belgium, Doctor in Psychopedagogy (highly distinguished)
1974-1978	Degree in Educational Sciences, University of Burundi (Distinction)
October-December 1997	Further training in university pedagogy at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium
April 1990	Induction training in techniques and methods relating to the development of intelligence in children, organized by the Association Mondiale de Prospective Sociale, Cotonou
January-July 1980	Further training in experimental pedagogy at the University of Liège, Belgium

Other main activities relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

16 and 17 June 2000	Participation in the international colloquium organized by UNESCO on adolescents in war. Paris. Lecturer on the topic "Adolescents as victims of violence: Growing up after horror"
15 and 16 May 2000	France. Participation in the training of volunteers for progress, Paris. Lecturer on the topic "Relationship between civil society and the State"

1999	Switzerland. "Participation in the fifty-fifth session of the Commission on Human Rights. Lecturer on the topic "The psychological dimension of reconciliation" as a part of the Bangwe project, a women's initiative for peace, reconciliation and non-violence in the Grands Lacs region

List of the candidate's most recent publications in this field

Enfants de la guerre: une génération sacrifiée, Sud-Nord, injuries issue, December 1999

March 1991: "Perspective on deafness". Article published in cooperation with Dr. Harlan Lane. Professor at Northeastern University, United States

March 1990: Une société sans pédagogie des sourds commence a éduquer les sourds. Paper presented at the International Congress on Sign Language Research and Application, Hamburg, Germany

July 1989: Le statut de l'enfant sourd dans la société burundaise. Paper presented at the world congress on the deaf in society (International Conference on Deaf Culture), Gallaudet College, Washington, United States

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